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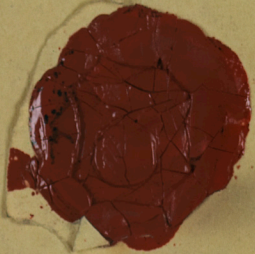
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Washington May 2<sup>d</sup> 1837

My dear Dawson

It is as hard to get any thing from you in the way of a letter without just hammering you, as it will be for the N York Committee to obtain any thing like a satisfactory answer from Martin Van Buren. By the way - they say here, that he is about to "put for Tennessee" in order to be out of the way when the Committee arrives and that the Committee have sworn to follow him - to the devil if he shall take it into his head to shelter himself in the "infernal Regions". All the talk here now is on the subject of the N York committee and their probable reception by the President. The Rumor above is probably some work of the enemy the "passably witty".

I wish you to ask George, what he thinks about the Times, and my prophecy - now! I am sorry that I am not there to drink some of his forfeited wine. Speaking of wine - puts me in mind of those old toasts at the big pond - have you been present at any of their Bacchanalian revels? - just to fire a gun or two, in honor of their toasts? I wonder if any of them have had the grace to drink to the healths of Sherris. Popple Dawson and Powers? - Surely they can not have forgotten their old friends so soon. I hope you have been up there to remind them of certain reminiscences.

If you could know what a gratification it is to me, to read your letters, I am sure you would not be so sparing of them. I have nothing to write about



of interest to you. The Papers contain all the news from  
this quarter. but you can tell me, that which is far more  
interesting to me than Political news. You can carry  
me in imagination - over the blaunting grounds about  
Cincinnati - tell me, where you saw ducks - how many -  
and how they relished the providence which you sent them - Whether  
you have seen any quail to give chase to, as I did at the Miami  
- how you get along with the Cotton tails and those billions  
looking creatures - the Snipes and Woodcock.

Winter I understand, has established his reputation in the  
family way - he has got a fine boy! - good! - tell him that  
I'll put my kicky against two of him any day, in a pitched  
battle - at eating - drinking - squealing - scratching and some  
other unmentionable little matters - I presume, that win-  
ter has almost forgotten his hunting traps now!

I am preparing to leave here for Boston - shall start  
in less than a week. Please direct to me there and write  
immediately - I need not tell you that I have been  
doing very well lately, but I am not contented - Away  
from my family and home I feel quite lonely some-  
times - and I should get the blues, but that I am  
rewarded, as far as a tolerable income may go to com-  
pensate me for my sacrifices - Do write to me,  
every letter from Cincinnati I regard as a treasure and  
particularly when from you - I shall not go to  
Italy before next fall and I expect to be in Cincinnati  
in June or July - In the bustle of packing up and  
getting ready to start for Boston, I have not had  
time to be particular in this letter - My respects to Mr  
Lawson - and best wishes for you in all things - yours - H. Powers